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Board for Registration of Architects

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January 25, 2006
May 10, 2006
August 10, 2006

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FISHING WITHOUT A LICENSE

A simple question: Is it acceptable for a registered architect to come into a state where he/she is not registered to offer professional services without first getting registered there?

The answer: NO, it is not acceptable. Many state boards that regulate the practice of architecture (including Alabama) have statutes and/or rules that prohibit offering or performing professional services prior to becoming registered or licensed in that state.

Good advice: Contact the specific state board for current, explicit information regarding its rules and regulations. Visit NCARB's State Boards link for contact information:

<http://www.ncarb.org/stateboards/index.html>.

ROSTER OF REGISTERED ARCHITECTS

The Roster of Registered Architects is available on the Board's home page. Rather than print a hard copy (which becomes immediately outdated as new registrants are added and addresses are changed), the on-line Roster is updated regularly and is viewable and printable in PDF or Word format. Visit our web site: <http://www.boa.state.al.us>.

RENEWAL REMINDER

Alabama registered architects must renew their registration before December 31, 2005, or it will lapse. Renewal information is on our web site.

THE NCARB ROLLING CLOCK TAKES EFFECT ON 1/1/06!

Current and future A.R.E. takers are reminded that the rolling clock, which will be officially implemented on January 1, 2006, requires that candidates for the A.R.E. pass the nine-division exam within five years. Three transitional rules, which are noted below, will guide this process.

- Applicants who have passed all divisions of the A.R.E. by January 1, 2006, regardless of the time taken, such applicants will have passed the A.R.E.
- Applicants who have passed one or more but not all divisions of the A.R.E. by January 1, 2006, such applicants will have five years to pass all remaining divisions. A passing grade for any remaining division shall be valid for five years, after which time the division must be retaken if the remaining divisions have not been passed. The five-year period shall commence after January 1, 2006, on the date when the first passed division is administered.
- Divisions passed before January 1, 2006 will **not** have to be retaken.*

For applicants who have passed no divisions of the A.R.E. by January 1, 2006, such applicants shall be governed by the above five year requirement. The five-year period shall commence on the date when the first passed division is administered. For detailed information regarding the rolling clock or the A.R.E, visit the NCARB web site: <http://www.ncarb.org/are/index.html>.

***Satisfaction of the National Rolling Clock Standard is required for NCARB Certification and future registration in other states.**

UPDATED VERSION OF THE A.R.E. WILL BEGIN FEBRUARY 2006

Changes to the Architect Registration Exam (A.R.E.) take effect in February 2006 when A.R.E. 3.1 is released. For detailed information regarding changes to affected vignettes and availability of a practice program, study guides, and the newly updated A.R.E. Guidelines, visit the NCARB web site: <http://www.ncarb.org/are/index.html>.

ALABAMA DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ADOPTS 2003 IBC

The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) recently adopted the 2003 IBC for use in reviewing building plans for health care facilities. Effective 7/25/05, newly submitted projects shall comply with the new building code. Submission of plans and specifications is required for buildings occupied as hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, ambulatory surgery centers, dialysis centers, abortion centers, rehabilitation centers, cerebral palsy centers, and inpatient hospices. For more information on ADPH plan reviews, visit <http://www.adph.org/facmgmt> or call Victor Hunt at (334) 206-5218.

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NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Board for Registration of Architects

RULE NO. AND TITLE:

100-X-2-.10 Administration of Examination
100-X-2-.11 Intern Development Program (IDP)

INTENDED ACTION: Amend Rules

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: Allows a candidate for licensure to begin taking the Architects Registration Examination (ARE) prior to completion of the Intern Development Program (IDP).

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Oral or written comments should be addressed to the Board for Registration of Architects at the above address and must be received no later than January 6, 2006.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: January 6, 2006.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Cindy Gainey

TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATION CHANGES

100-X-2-.10 Administration Of Examination. The Board shall administer or cause to be administered the Architect Registration Examination (ARE) to qualified candidates for registration. Administration of the ARE will be consistent with NCARB standards and their procedures will be followed. The Board shall set qualifications and review or cause to be reviewed each candidate's qualifications. The Board shall require proof of qualifications prior to allowing candidates to sit for the ARE. The Board may approve an applicant to take the ARE only after the applicant has completed the educational requirements for architectural registration by examination in Alabama, has completed at least six (6) months of full-time experience working under the direct supervision of a licensed architect, and has submitted the required application materials. The Board shall report or cause to be reported the grades to the individuals in accordance with Board policy and to NCARB for national certification. Eligibility qualifications may be obtained by writing to the Board's address or on the Board's web site. All candidates must submit a completed application, application fee, and documentation of required training and experience in order to obtain architectural registration by examination in Alabama.

100-X-2-.11 Intern Development Program (IDP). All applicants for registration by examination must complete the Intern Development Program (IDP) training requirements consistent with guidelines established by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB). In order to encourage and document a timely continuum of the IDP process, an applicant for registration by examination must hold an active NCARB council record for a minimum of two (2) calendar years prior to being granted architectural registration in Alabama, even if all training requirements have been met by the applicant prior to establishing a council record or taking the ARE. Information concerning IDP can be obtained from NCARB, a local chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), or the Board.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

JILES E. WADE (#3569), Mobile, Alabama, signed a settlement agreement and order on April 29, 2005, which was ratified by the Board on May 17, 2005. Wade was found to be negligent or incompetent in the practice of architecture, and that he failed to act with reasonable care and competence in the practice of architecture. Wade paid a \$2,800 fine.

ALVAH P. BREITWEISER (#1333), Fort Myers, Florida, signed a settlement agreement and order, which was ratified by the Board on July 31, 2005. Breitweiser was guilty of violating the laws of another state board. Breitweiser's registration was suspended for one year.

DONALD M. STANSELL (#1723), Montgomery, Alabama, was found guilty of violating the laws of another state board, at a hearing held on June 9, 2005. Stansell paid a \$10,000 fine.

BRIAN BLANKENSHIP (unlicensed), Nashville, Tennessee, signed a consent order in which he agreed not to practice architecture or represent himself as an architect. He also paid a \$500 administrative assessment.

MARY CATHERINE MARTIN (#3695), Atlanta, Georgia, signed a settlement agreement and order and paid a \$500 administrative assessment. Martin offered architectural services while her registration was lapsed. Her registration has been reinstated.

RICHARD S. BACON (#4202), Safety Harbor, Florida, signed a settlement agreement and order and paid a \$500 administrative assessment. Bacon contracted to provide architectural services while his registration was lapsed. His registration has been reinstated.

CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS ISSUED

Providing architectural services with an expired registration:

DAVID L. WALLACE (#3007-lapsed), Dunedin, Florida
(Wallace's registration has been reinstated.)

FRANCIS ALLEGRET (#4100-lapsed), Tucker, Georgia

Unlicensed practice:

WADE GANN, Tuscumbia, Alabama
KIRK A. THOMAS, Foley, Alabama
PETER ZAKAS, Lawrenceville, Georgia

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CONGRATULATIONS!

The following individuals passed the Architects Registration Exam since publication of our last newsletter:

Andrew M. Butler – Birmingham
Mark Coyle – Birmingham
Kristine D. Dieguez - Birmingham
Christopher Eidt - Toney
James Ellis – Huntsville
Walter D. Fritts – Birmingham

Preston Hite – Birmingham
Bruce Lanier – Birmingham
Susan K. Lineberry – Birmingham
Michael D. Sprader – Birmingham
James K. Sransky - Birmingham
James R. Walker - Mobile



QUOTABLE QUOTE:

The only limits to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today.

--Franklin D. Roosevelt